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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "BAVERN."

THE above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given before TOMORROW MORNING, 10 o'clock.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 14th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on MONDAY, the 14th instant, at 3 P.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 14th instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1897. [542]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship

"ONSANG" will be despatched as above TOMORROW, the 8th instant, at 4 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1897. [516]

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NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

THE Company's Steamship

"HOENZOLLERN," Captain H. Blecker, will leave for the above Ports on about THURSDAY, the 8th instant.

For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd April, 1897. [542]

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NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"BAVERN," Captain R. Heinke, due here with the outward German Mail about the 7th instant, will leave for the above place about 24 hours after arrival.

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Hongkong, 3rd April, 1897. [542]

"MOUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR TAKAO (FORMOSA).

THE Steamship

"SIKH," Captain Rowley, will be despatched for the above Port on SUNDAY, the 12th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1897. [594]

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"LYEEMOON," Captain G. Heuermann, will be despatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 9th instant, at 4 P.M.

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Hongkong, 7th April, 1897. [593]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR CHEFOO AND TIENTSIN, VIA SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship

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Hongkong, 7th April, 1897. [580]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR CEBU.

THE Company's Steamship

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Hongkong, 7th April, 1897. [505]

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Hongkong, 7th April, 1897. [409]

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THE Steamship

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THOS. P. HUDSON.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1897. [589]

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Hongkong, 7th April, 1897. [591]

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HONGKONG, No. 1, 155.

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Hongkong, 7th April, 1897. [595]

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Hongkong, 1st March, 1897. [5790]

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1896.

DEATH.

On the 27th inst. at Richmond, Wallington, Surrey, PETER JAMES CRADDOCK, formerly H.B.M.'s Vice-Consul at Samarang, in the Island of Java.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 1897.

THE CRISIS AT SHANGHAI.

We feel sorry for the Shanghaianders. They are at the commencement of a very troublesome period in their history. Their Chinese subjects have rebelled and have been successful in their rebellion. We know well enough here in Hongkong what that means and how long it will take before the ill effects of that defeat will have worn off, and how many hard battles will have to be fought before the Municipality can gain the upper hand again and be in a position to manage their own affairs in their own way. Of course the Shanghai Municipality is not to blame. They are in a different position from our Governors here. If the Colony is unable to keep order among Chinese boat-people and 'rickshaw coolies' it has only itself to blame. It has the power of repression and punishment in its own hands. In Shanghai the 'city fathers' have no force at their command. The Consuls in their collective capacity are in all emergencies the real rulers and must be consulted and deferred to, and in the present case they have thrown the Municipality over. The worst of it is that, not merely have the wheelbarrow coolies gained a victory which they and all other classes of the Chinese population will know how to make the most of, but the Treaty and his entourage have also gained a victory and have learned a lesson. They will only have to stir up an *ammut* in the Foreign Settlements in support of any project they may have in hand, or in opposition to any improvements they may be opposed to, to frighten the Consular body into submission to their wishes. Shanghai must fight this matter out at once; first with the Consuls, of whom properly there are only two who are really concerned, the English and the American; secondly with the Ministers at Peking, and lastly with the Governments concerned—England and America—by means of direct representations, and through the Chamber of Commerce and China Association. The trouble may lead to something good. It may, if properly followed up and made use of, bring about the formal recognition of the Shanghai Municipality as a properly constituted body within its own limits, with jurisdiction and powers of its own. For the successful government of Shanghai, growing as it has done within the last few years, some change is necessary, and that change can only be in the direction indicated. The Chinese authorities cannot be allowed to control it; either directly or by means of a 'Chinese mob.' Here is a question on which Sir CLAUDE MACDONALD may be able to prove his ability and satisfy us as to his comprehension of the Chinese problem and his power to deal with its various phases, as they present themselves. Fortunately the French have their own settlement in Shanghai and are unconnected with the English and American settlements, so that they will have nothing to say about their former government.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

The authorities in Bombay and Kurra- chee have found out at last that they can only succeed in dealing with the plague by doing as was done in the very first instance in Hongkong, i.e., by instituting a Dictatorship with full powers to drive out the disease at any cost and by any means, and to set aside for the time the ordinary law and the ordinary safeguards of liberty and property. The Permanent Committee of the Sanitary Board in Hongkong took supreme charge from the very first day the presence of the plague was officially recognised in Hongkong, and to their energetic measures and prompt action in at once instituting house-to-house visitations, in enforcing the segregation of the sick, the removal of the dead and their burial apart, was wholly due the limitation in Hongkong of the ravages of the plague. It probably would have ceased or diminished in intensity about the same time as it did in 1894 whether there had been a Permanent Committee or not. It seems to be in the nature of the disease that it prevails in its greatest intensity during a very limited period, but the measures taken, and taken so promptly, by the Committee had undoubtedly all to do with the fact that, in so large a community, so densely packed and living under such hopelessly insanitary conditions, the deaths were so few in number and confined to so small a portion of the city. The Permanent Committee has since been frequently condemned as having exercised its mandate in excess of the requirements of the position, but events in Bombay and Kurra- chee justify it to the fullest extent. In both places the Supreme Governments and the Municipal Governments have stood aside, or been put aside, and Committees or Commissions of three have been invested with plenary powers. They are charged, in the language of the commission conferred on Dictators in old Rome, to see, "Ne quid detrimentum respublica capesset," and their motto is "Salus populi suprema lex."

We agree with our contemporary the *Daily Press* that the "Road round the Island" project is not such in its nature as can commend itself to the Committee or to the public as suitable for a Jubilee Memorial. It is a proposal that, if it is to be carried out at all, must be undertaken either by the Government as a work of general utility or by a syndicate or public company as a source of profit. There is no reason why it should not be taken in hand, if all that is said in its praise is to be accepted as true, by a group of landholders headed by Mr. GRANVILLE SHARP and Mr. CHATER, or by the Land Investment Company, on the same footing as the Praya Reclamation, or perhaps more appropriately on the same basis as that on which so many railways have been constructed in America. The owners of Marine Lots are in effect constructing the new reclamation at their own expense and for their own benefit, the Colonial Government only contributing in exact proportion to its own frontage. Let a company be got up to construct the new circular road; let the Government grant sites and concessions along its length to the company or to its shareholders; let the Treasury contribute in proportion to the amount of land the Executive retains. The Military authorities will probably not join in as a seaboard road would be nearly useless for military purposes. They want their communications higher up and on shorter lines.

We are also at one with our contemporary in its opinion that the wisest thing the Jubilee Committee can do will be to conduct its inquiry with open doors and to hear anyone and every one who wishes to speak in support of any of the projects submitted.

TELEGRAMS.

THE PLAGUE IN INDIA.

BOMBAY, March 22nd.

To-day there were 73 cases of plague and 50 deaths; from all causes there were 161 deaths.

A strong deputation of Mahomedans, with Mr. Ralkar, the Barrister, accompanying them, waited on the Plague Committee this morning to lay before the latter their views as set forth in a petition forwarded to the Governor respecting the enforcement of compulsory segregation. His Excellency being asked to reverse that order in so far as it related to Mahomedans. They asked the Committee, pending the return of the Governor from Kurra- chee, to suspend house-to-house visitation and further that, in the event of the Governor not granting their prayer, members of the Mahomedan community should be appointed for each street to accompany Justices on their rounds.

General Gairner expressed his desire to meet their wishes in every way and assured them every case would be taken not to violate the *quarantine* system, but pointed out the orders of Government could not be suspended in regard to one community. No definite result was arrived at and house-to-house visitation still goes on.

BOMBAY, March 23rd.

Lord Sandhurst, speaking at a dinner at the house of the Commissioner of Sindh, announced that he decided to have a Committee at Kurra- chee, like the Gairner Committee at Bombay, to consist of General Cook as President, Mr. Giles the Collector, and Dr. Armit, Deputy Sanitary Commissioner, as members. House-to-house inspection will be arranged.

At a special central meeting held the next day by the Municipality Lord Sandhurst's announcement of the formation of a Plague Committee was considered a star on the Municipality, and all the Commissioners, except five, resigned their seats. This has created a sensation in Kurra- chee.

SUICIDE AND ATTEMPTED MURDER.

BOMBAY, March 22nd.

A native railway employé made a desperate attempt on the life of Mr. Simpson, Chief Auditor, South Indian Railway, in the Company's office at Telicherry. While Mr. Simpson was reading a petition he had presented, the man drew a dagger from under his coat and struck at Mr. Simpson's neck, but the blow fell on the collar of the coat and Mr. Simpson escaped with slight injury. The man after striking the blow took a dose of arsenic and died shortly after.

TELEGRAMS.

(Special to Hongkong Telegraph.)

THE STRIKE AT SHANGHAI.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL BACKS DOWN.

COMPLETE VICTORY FOR THE COOLIES.

FOREIGNERS VERY INDIGNANT.

SHANGHAI, April 7th.

2.30 p.m.

The foreign Consuls and the Municipal Council have caved in and issued a notification stating that they have postponed the operation of the new regulation providing for an increase of the license fee for wheelbarrows.

The victory of the Chinese coolies is complete, for to-day the Council has issued hundreds of licenses to wheelbarrow coolies at the old rate.

The Europeans here are highly incensed at this exhibition of the "white feather" by their representatives and have therefore convened an indignation meeting for 5 o'clock this afternoon.

THE WAR IN THE PHILIPPINES.

We have been favoured by the Spanish Consul with a copy of the following telegram received from the Secretary of the Government of the Philippines:—

MANILA, April 7th.

Yesterday morning General Lacham- bre's Division captured San Francisco de Malabon, province of Cavite, defended with the greatest determination by the rebels under Command of Andres Bonifacio. We found 400 rebels killed and we took 30 prisoners, brass guns and also iron guns of different calibres, and rifles.

We redeemed Captain Rebollo's widow and children. Our losses are about 120 wounded.

By the capture of the said town, the civil centre of the rebels, the insurrectionary movement has suffered a severe blow of great moral effect. Many presentations for amnesty and a great number of families put themselves under the protection of our army.

REUTERS'S MESSAGE.

RUSSIA AND THE CRETAN QUESTION.

LONDON, April 5th.

The semi-official journal *St. Petersburg* says that the continued aggressive attitude of Greece renders the blockade of the Piræus imperative, and that if Greece rushes into war the Powers will never allow her to reap any advantages from it.

THE LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP.

LONDON, March 23rd.

The result of the Lincolnshire Handicap was—

Winkfield's Pride 1
Fanny Boat 2
Bridgmont 3

(From *Stam Observer*)

MADAGASCAR.

LONDON, March 25th.

It is reported that the Queen of Madagascar is to be deported, owing to her connection with a plot to murder General Gallieni.

RAUBS.

